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The 18th rendition of the always popular B.C. Cup Day at Hastings Racecourse was another rousing success last Monday. The crowd was huge and the starting gates were filled with many amazing B.C. breds. The afternoon started off with a tribute to the richest B.C. bred earner of all-time, Spaghetti Mouse. The 'Mouse' was full of himself and looked eager to join the participants for the \$75,000 Redekop Classic who were parading behind him during his retirement celebration. The Felicella's were understandably emotional in the winner's circle for his final farewell to Hastings fans. He retired with \$960,000 of which every dollar was earned right here at Hastings, a total that will likely never be broken.

The duo of Taylor Said and Taylor's Deal stole most of the headlines as they both dominated rivals in their respective divisions. Taylor Said was an easy victor of the Redekop Classic, while his stable mate Taylor's Deal captured the Stellar's Jay with relative ease. The Riversedge owned Proud Victor, who was recent claim, crushed his opponents in the Nursery in wire-to-wire fashion. The Debutante winner UMA Stables Bamboo Dream showed some flair by being the only last to first winner. Foundation Stables Gosailgo provided the fans with the biggest longshot of the day as she led the Dogwood field throughout with odds of 26-1. P.S. Touchdown picked a great time for her first win of the 2012 season as she stalked the speed in the Distaff and pulled away with a comfortable win for Telford Farms.

The live racing schedule for the remainder of August gets a tweak as the annual P.N.E. Fair gets underway on Saturday, August 18th. We are on the usual schedule this weekend with racing tonight at 7 p.m., then Saturday and Sunday at 1:50 p.m. The final Friday night card of the year will be one week today, Friday, August 17th. The remaining race days for August are during the P.N.E. Fair, with a 3:20 p.m. post time on Wednesday the 22^{nd} , Friday the 24^{th} , Wednesday the 29^{th} and Friday the 31^{st} .

Do not forget to pick up your 2012 CTHS Yearling & Mixed Sale catalogue from the Hastings race office, The Derby Bar & Grill or the CTHS office in Cloverdale.